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SEA OF BUTTONS— Students for Peace and Justice sell buttons at the Renaissance Faire during Saturday's Homecoming festivities.

Religious dialogue in Lyceum

By SARAH GUHL
Assistant News Editor

The 2005-06 interfaith dialogue will take place at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Lyceum.

More than a dozen religions and denominations will be represented. Religions represented include Christianity, Orthodox, Judaism, Hinduism, Jainism, Islam, Buddhism, Shinto and Baha'i.

"The one thing that we don't want people to take away from this is that the people who are representing these faiths are not the faces of the faiths," junior Erin Wright said. "They're simply there to talk about their experiences within that religion and how it has shaped them into the people they are today."

Approximately 125 people attended last year's dialogue. Wright hopes for a better turnout.

"Last year, I just remember it was packed," Fred Strickert, professor of religion, said. "People who participated, I think, got a lot out of it."

All students, faculty, staff and members of the community are invited to attend.

Wright said that the interfaith dialogue is intended to "promote the understanding of different denominations and religions in comparison to your own. Religion can be something that separates us, but I feel it can only bring us together."

Strickert is requiring students in his world religions class and encouraging students in his other classes to attend.

"I think everybody can learn from the experience," he said. "It's much more meaningful learning from a person than from a book."

This is the second year that Wartburg has had an organized interfaith dialogue. Previously, there was no organized committee, but there was student activism. Wright got involved because of her personal experiences with other faiths.

"One of my friends was Muslim," she said. "I started talking to him and realized it was a huge [thing] in the world."

Attendees have full participation. They will be given cards for questions to have the panel answer. The committee does have some questions used last year on hand as well. Panel members will also introduce themselves and their faith(s) before the audience participation part of the program.

Several issues are likely to be raised based on previous events.

"Popular questions are basically after-life, gender roles within the religion, politics and religion, and the common themes between all the religions."

Those who come to participate are encouraged to consider what they want to take away before they attend.

"It's good to think ahead of time what I'd like to get out of it," Strickert said.

He added that the amount of information may be too much if people don't consider what they want to learn beforehand.

"The best thing you can do for yourself is to try to understand different perspectives that are entirely unlike your own," Wright said.

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Regents back rec center

By NICK PETAROS
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The Wartburg Waverly Wellness Center passed its first step towards becoming a reality Friday; however, the college has another hurdle to cross in order for construction to begin on schedule.

After over two hours of discussion, Wartburg College's Board of Regents gave approval for the Wellness Center with the idea of sending it to the Waverly city council for funding support. This followed presentations by Gary Grace, vice president for administration and Rich Seggerman, chief business officer.

"The board is very encouraged about the idea," Dave Ostrander, vice president for institutional advancement said. "They think it's an important thing for Wartburg to do in order to compete with other schools and provide athletic, recreational and welfare opportunities to students."

Ostrander mentioned that with the school's recent expenses due to the construction of a new science center and Lohe

Hall, Wartburg's regents expressed concerns for the college's ability to finance the wellness center.

"Partnering with the community will help make this project financially possible," Ostrander said.

Waverly city administrator Dick Crayne said the city plans to meet with representatives from Wartburg College today, but the issue has yet to be formally brought before city council.

"City staff and Wartburg officials have been discussing a partnership to bring Wartburg students and the community as a whole together, creating a wellness center that will provide full recreational activities for all the citizens of Waverly including students of Wartburg," Crayne said.

According to Crayne, the earliest that the Wellness Center could be proposed before city council is Monday, Oct. 24. Ostrander mentioned that the process with the city will begin within the next month, with Grace (who is also a member of the city council) as the point man for the school's presentation.

Recent history indicates that the city

might have to fund the wellness center without the aid of increased taxes. Within the past 10 years, Waverly taxpayers have voted down a bond issue and an option sales tax to fund a recreation center. However, within the past five years, 1 percent sales taxes were approved, funding the Waverly school district and a new jail.

"Surveys have shown citizens are favorable to this (wellness center)," Waverly director of parks and recreation Tab Ray said. "The public has just indicated that they don't want to pay the up front annual costs through tax dollars."

Approval for the building will be brought before city council as opposed to taxpayers.

"What the city has tried to pass before was nothing near the scale of what we're proposing in dollar amount and size," Ostrander said. "The financial commitment from the city will be less than either two of the initiatives that were voted on previously."

Ostrander noted if things go as planned, construction will begin in March 2006.

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Facebook feud continues at Wartburg

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With the Facebook phenomenon at full force, the rumor mill is buzzing with the administration's plans to slow it down.

Dr. Alexander Smith, dean of students, has denied any access by Peter Armstrong or himself to students' profiles; however, he does admit that there are a few faculty members and staff who are registered users.

"Students are accountable for what they put out there, and they need to realize that it

reflects who they are and what they believe," Smith said.

While Wartburg has no written policy about Facebook, officials are still following leads of inappropriate behavior by students. Smith said no student has been penalized for using Facebook, but some have been called to discuss their behavior.

Smith calls attention to a group called the Wartburg Drinking Club, which he feels promotes abusive drinking by minors. He states that he did not find the group himself, but that it was brought to his attention by a student, so the

administration decided to talk to a few members without disciplinary actions.

Smith said the only students who are being disciplined are students employed by the college, such as resident assistants. These students, representatives of the residential life office, are prosecuted according to a breach in contract. Smith said that rumors of RAs being fired for Facebook pictures promoting drinking are false.

Ryan Hahn, an RA in the Residence, disagrees with the approach of the administration in handling Facebook matters.

"I really don't understand how the administration can have strong facts on a person's personality from a website intended to be fun."

As for the future of facebook on Wartburg's campus, Smith holds no hard feelings.

"Facebook has actually helped the administration by drawing attention to some flaws in current rules. Resident assistants have requested clarification for acceptable behaviors," Smith said.

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Debating same sex marriage

By JEREMY PEDERSEN
Columnist

During the last several months, Wartburg has had several activities dealing with sexuality. Such discussion has caused me to consider my own viewpoints on this issue.

Going to several discussions and talking with others, I have found no satisfactory answers in the two main positions that I have heard the most. On one hand, I am taken back by the campaign of some to impose same-sex marriage on the church, and their derogatory labeling of anyone opposed to such marriage.



On the other hand, I am equally dismayed by the pharisaic demands by many advocates opposing homosexual conduct as they suggest that God only loves gays and lesbians if they come to repentance first. Such polarized rhetoric leaves no room for moderates like myself who believe both in the biblical witness opposing same-sex marriage and in the greatest commandment of God to love our neighbors.

I cannot agree with the Church blessing same-sex marriages. I believe that same-sex marriage goes against both the biblical ideal of marriage between a man and woman.

While this position is debatable, I am more disturbed by how some extreme advocates of same-sex marriage call anyone who opposes such changes "homophobic", "racist" or other derogatory labels. Such labels seem to stifle dissent by characterizing all opponents of same-sex marriage as being like the KKK and other white supremacist groups while putting themselves in the same ideal as the civil rights movement. Such labeling ignores many differences between these two movements like how many churches in African and African American congregations have some of the strongest opposition to same-sex marriage.

While I am dismayed by many proponents' demand for a blessing of same-sex marriage, many opponents also seem to offer equally radical positions. Their absolutist, black-and-white positions seem to allow no room for the many mysteries of human nature.

Their inferences that God loves gays and lesbians only if they repent sounds like the pharisees of the New Testament. For me, this seems to go against the all-encompassing love of God and the related injunction of not judging.

Looking at these two extremes being advocated today, I do not find any satisfactory answers in either position.

In the polarized discussions between these extremist positions, there seems to be very little room for a moderate viewpoint. Nevertheless, I have realized that we do need to approach this subject with dignity and respect for all the parties involved. Behind all this angry rhetoric, many like myself continue to struggle with this issue.

There are gays and lesbians who struggle with their place in this world, and there are those who struggle with expressing Christian love to such people while still being able to hold firm to a biblical and historical witness opposing same-sex marriage.

Indeed, in realizing the personal dimension behind this issue, it is extremely important that moderate views be brought to the table. Beyond this, as the most important priority, we also need to respect each other's positions.

Indeed, with such respect, we will be following the most important commandment from God, and nothing is more important than that.

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Iraq withdrawal has high cost

By JON PALMQUIST
Columnist

As election results are being tallied and it looks likely Iraq will soon have a new constitution there is sure to be an increase in demands from politicians and others that our troops are returned home soon.

Voices asking for time-tables and troop movements out of Iraq will resound through cable TV and the halls of Congress. We will hear that Iraqis have battle ready troops who are capable of bringing law to the country. All the pieces of the puzzle will seem to be coming together and the United States' role in Iraq will, in the minds of some, be complete.

As all of us know the US is in the midst of a global war on Terror, a war unlike any other that we have fought. Iraq is on the front lines of this war, Al-Zarqawi and his Al-Qaeda cohorts are responsible for much of the struggles that US forces have faced in Iraq. A recent letter addressed to Al-Zarqawi from another top Al-Qaeda associate predicts that US forces will soon leave Iraq. The letter lays out plans for Al-Qaeda to take over Iraq and use that as a start to their ultimate goal of removing Israel as they see its existence as a challenge to any Islamic entity. They have begun



to bring the fight to the western world foes with 9-11 style attacks occurring all over the world: in the US, Spain, London and Indonesia. Al-Qaeda and like minded groups are the greatest threat to the western world. No chance can be taken, the US and other nations must be sure that Al-Qaeda is not left to grow stronger and more powerful.

The first step in making sure that Al-Qaeda is not able to gain global power is to ensure that they are not given the opportunity to operate freely. In the same letter mentioned above, Al-Zawahiri, a top Al-Qaeda official, describes the similarities between Iraq and Vietnam. Al-Qaeda has come to understand the power of the American public. If they can convince the American public of the brutality and difficulties of the war, support for the cause will soon falter. They believe that if the fighting lasts long enough, and is ugly enough, then US troops will pack up and leave allowing them free reign over a weak and newly formed country.

The US must remain in until Al-Qaeda is no longer. The war in Iraq is not only about bringing sovereignty to the people but also about ridding the world of a power that is set on the destruction of life as we know it. As ugly and difficult as this war is, it will determine the way our lives are lived and the world our children will grow up in.

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Letters to the editor

Dear Wartburg Family,

Your generosity towards the fund raiser was more than anyone could have ever hoped for. It's great to have such wonderful support from such wonderful people. It was simply overwhelming. Thank you so very much!

Sincerely,

Jay Balek '07 & Lauren Semler '07

Dear Trumpet editorial staff:

This is in response to Pete Armstrong's editorial in the Oct. 10th issue of the Trumpet. I was extremely relieved to finally see someone say something about things that have been happening here on campus lately. Thank you, Mr. Armstrong! I can't tell you how many things I as a student have heard, and I'm completely disgusted. We are in college; don't you think it's about

time we get over the jr. high-like name calling and drama and act like the mature and liberally educated adults we are supposed to be?? I'm so BEYOND sick and tired of hearing about incidents where someone's race, religion, or sexuality are being made the brunt of cruel, sick, and immature jokes. I realize that not everybody has the same viewpoints about one thing or another, and while we are all entitled to our own opinions, we are also entitled to live our lives without being judged because of our personalities, sexual orientation, race, or religious beliefs. What one person may see as a joke, another can take as a serious insult, and whether or not it was meant to be harmful, we don't know for sure how others will take things. I have many friends that are a different race than me, that are a different religion than me, and that have a different sexual orientation than me, and I am offended when they are insulted, so our words can affect everyone around us.

-Jenna Miner '08



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MAKING ICE CREAM—Senior Ashley Jessick watches as senior Matthew Fox and junior Justin Peters make ice cream using liquid nitrogen for the American Chemical Society at the Renaissance Faire on Saturday. More than 50 campus organizations and local businesses had booths at this year's Renaissance Faire, held on the campus mall.

Task force made for energy issues

By ALLISON SCHMIDT
Managing Editor

Following the energy summit on Oct. 8, President Jack Ohle has formally asked a group of Wartburg faculty, staff and students along with an outside energy consultant and Waverly Light & Power representative to serve on an energy task force. According to Ohle, the task force was created to "develop an overall energy conservation plan for the college."

Attendees came up with several ways the college could conserve energy and that could be implemented in the next few months. Task force chair and vice president for administration Gary Grace said these short-term solutions will be top priority.

"Those short-term things will be relatively easy to explore," Grace said. "Things like agreeing on a lower temperature in classrooms and residence halls. The initial goal is to start getting prepared for this winter and get those in place and then move along to more mid- to long-term energy solutions for the future."

Grace said the task force may break down into subgroups to tackle specific issues like educating the campus community and focusing on long-term solutions.

Student body president Matt Lamos was asked to be a member of the task force. He said that it is very important for students to be involved in the process.

"Many of the changes are going to affect students directly," Lamos said. "It is imperative that the student body has a voice in this process."

Lamos also complimented Wartburg on being proactive and said he "looks forward to hearing suggestions brought forth by the student body."

Grace also said that the task force will need to find ways to give people outside the task force a chance to give feedback or offer other energy conservation ideas. One possibility may be an online blog where energy conservation ideas could be posted.

The energy task force has not yet had its first meeting, but Grace said it will take place soon in order to begin addressing some of the short-term solutions.

"It makes sense to implement some of the short-term solutions before we get into the part of winter where we'll be using the greatest amount of natural gas and electricity," Grace said.

Ohle expects the work of the task force to be complete by April 2006. At that time, Grace said a report will be available outlining the findings of the task force.

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Burning? Questions?

Q: Why is Lohe the only dorm without Cinemax?

A: "Lohe Hall should be getting it," director of residential life Pete Armstrong said. Maintenance will be doing some investigating into the matter shortly.

Q: Why is there no paper stored in the WBC computer lab?

A: "People kept stealing it," technical assistant for ITS Mary Dorman said. ITS employees check the lab twice nightly to ensure that the printer is well stocked.

Q: When are peaches in season? I want to make a pie.

A: According to www.foodnetwork.com, peaches are in season from the early summer through early fall. Look for peaches that are soft to the touch and bruise easily.

Send your Burning Questions to
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CAMPUS BRIEFS

HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR TO SPEAK

Holocaust survivor Henry Golde will speak at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday in the McCaskey Lyceum. His speech is open to Wartburg students, staff and faculty as well as the Waverly community. Golde, a native of Poland who now resides in Wisconsin, is also author of the book "Ragdolls," which describes life during the Holocaust. He will speak about his experiences in the nine concentration camps he endured as a child, as well as the importance of living a life that is not driven by hate but by forgiveness.

HOOKERS ARE BACK

The Wartburg Hookers will hold their first official meeting of the year at 3:45-5 p.m. on Wednesday in the HUB. At the meeting they will discuss a cause to donate their finished products. If you do not know how to knit or crochet and would like to learn, this is also the perfect opportunity to do so. Contact ashley.weets@wartburg.edu with questions.

KNIGHTS TO PLAY HAWKEYES

On Wednesday, Nov. 9, the Wartburg Knights will take on the Iowa Hawkeyes in men's basketball. For \$35, students, faculty and staff can attend the game. The cost includes round trip transportation on a charter bus, pizza and a ticket to the game. Please e-mail cassidy.peterson@wartburg.edu by Thursday to indicate interest and send full payment by Friday to guarantee your seat. No alcohol is allowed on the bus. Individual tickets will cost \$10.

SERVICE TRIP OFFERED OVER FALL BREAK

Habitat for Humanity will sponsor a service trip over fall break to Ottumwa (about 3 hours from Wartburg). They will leave at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26, and return to Wartburg at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29. They will do roofing and interior work on a house. No skills are required. Food, lodging and transportation are free. Space is first come, first served. If you want to go or have questions, e-mail erin.yoder@wartburg.edu by Wednesday.

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National Coming Out Week debuts at Wartburg

By SNEHA PRADHAN
Staff Writer

The National Coming Out Week events initiated by Safe Zone in support of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals exemplified diversity on the Wartburg campus. The week was successful with a collective series of programs intended to raise awareness of sexuality matters on campus.

The goal of the event was to have as much attendance as possible and ultimately touch at least one person's life through the issues faced by the Safe Zone committee.

"I think that right now the college is being as supportive as they possibly can be, but there is still a need of a higher level of education and awareness," Rob Anderson, assistant director of residential life and Safe Zone member, said. "The other great thing in talking to people is there is a nice mix of gays, lesbians and straights. The National Coming Out Week is not just for gays; it is for everyone as an opportunity for learning takes place."

The week started positively with a considerable number of students, faculty and staff at the event "Sharing Our Stories: A Brown Bag Lunch." People filled the McCoy East conference room for "A Sister's Story: An evening with Michelle Gage" and engaged in a casual discussion as she shared the story of her brother's murder.

Campus Ministry also made an effort to create an understanding of treating all human beings on an equal level.

"It's not an issue that will go away, especially on campuses. It is important that we keep educating students to be more informed and sensitive to this issue, but especially to gay, lesbian and transgender students, faculty and staff with whom we live and work," Wartburg pastor Larry Trachte said.



Roland Ferrie/TRUMPET

NATIONAL COMING OUT WEEK—Students attend an event during National Coming Out Week. This was the first year Wartburg took part in the national event.

Singer and songwriter Sacha Sackett performed to a crowd of more than 70 people. However, the "Homo Depot: Your one stop shop for all your LGBT Community Building Needs" program did not meet the expectations of the committee because there were not enough people to conduct it.

"The slang for homo often has a negative connotation. It may have turned off a lot of students who would have otherwise found it a useful presentation," senior Emily Dieker, the only student present, said.

The program, created by Anderson, is a means of education in a fun and interactive way which was selected in the top 35 programs among a total of 350 in the National Association of College and University Residence Halls at St. Louis University in Missouri in 2004.

Activities such as "bingo," a match-

ing game, are included in the program, which is intended to aid the communication between straight and gay individuals.

"It takes people out of their comfort zone and places them in others' shoes that causes them to think outside of the box, increasing the level of challenge," Anderson said. "Many people mistake gender for sexuality. Gender is fluid. You can have extreme masculine males and feminine females and people do not realize that you can also have a combination in between."

The Homo Depot will be rescheduled sometime in the spring with a hope of a better response. The Safe Zone training, scheduled for last Tuesday, will take place sometime this week, but the committee has not yet decided on a date.

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Alek and Todd: Stuck on each other

By JESSICA NYSTEL
Staff Writer

Yes, they do a lot of things together. No, they don't live together—Alek would like to make this very clear. Although it may seem as if seniors Todd Stanhope and Alek Wiperman have been friends forever, in reality, they met under unusual circumstances during their freshman year of calculus.

"Alek sat next to me and freaked me out," Stanhope said. "He was always listening to System of a Down."

"I ate my first test score," Wiperman interrupted.

"He did eat his first test score," Stanhope said. "He looked at [the sheet], ripped off the test score and put it in his mouth."

According to Stanhope, Wiperman then said something to the effect that the test score was unacceptable and would become part of his digestive and excretory systems.

Despite this unusual meeting, Stanhope and Wiperman worked in the same calculus group and learned they meshed well together. They have been good friends since, even running together in last year's student body presidential election.

Even if there was no freshman calculus class, it is certain that the two would've met anyway and would have gotten along. Both are heavily involved in campus activities, including Wind Ensemble, Knightlighters Jazz Band, pep band and Student Senate—Stanhope is on the political action committee, while Wiperman is a parliamentarian and sits on the general education committee. Stanhope is also on the Homecoming committee and works at Bartels, and Wiperman is a part of Ritterchor and Students for Peace and Justice.

In addition to campus activities, both were elected to this year's Homecoming court.

"We decided if one of us wins court, the other one should get it, too," Stanhope said.

Wiperman was quick to add, "Todd would be queen."

Both seem at ease with this fast-paced banter and seem to truly enjoy each other's company. Many times Wiperman will say something and Stanhope is quick to finish the story, or vice versa.

"We make fun of each other, throw food at each other and he slapped me in the head last week," Stanhope said. "But I still have the utmost respect for him."

"This sounds like a funeral..." Wiperman interrupted.

"Yeah, I plan on killing you next week," Stanhope finished.

They laughed and continued talking.

The pair once hosted a radio show, and one night Wiperman planned to play a Disturbed song that made liberal use of the F-word. According to Stanhope, Wiperman said he had a lyrics sheet and would just "turn down the volume real quick" when the bad words came up. Apparently, Wiperman failed to get a complete lyrics sheet, because one of the first words of the song was an expletive.

"Yeah, I missed that one," Wiperman said.

Although the two are involved in many of the same activities now, Stanhope's and



Eva Sersland/TRUMPET

THE ODD COUPLE—Seniors Alek Wiperman and Todd Stanhope goof around on Outfly morning. Wiperman and Stanhope have been friends since freshman year and are often seen together on campus.

Wiperman's post-Wartburg plans should carry them farther apart. Medical school is the next stop for Stanhope, a biology major, which will hopefully lead to his "dream job" of working on a disaster relief team in different parts of the world.

Wiperman, a political science and history major, says he'll "go to law school, then [he'll] do something." He also hopes to be able to travel, and Stanhope adds, "He can be my malpractice lawyer."

When asked to describe each other in three words, Stanhope said that Wiperman was "loud, opinionated and a fathead," referring to a nickname he had

given Wiperman a few years ago. "Yes, the name's even in my phone," Stanhope said, pointing to his listing for Wiperman in his cell phone.

Wiperman was a bit more descriptive in his assessment of his friend, even if he didn't necessarily abide by the three-word rule. He said Stanhope was "three-quarters odd, friendly..." He then paused while Stanhope urged, "Say it, say it." Wiperman finally said, "And ripped." He then added, "Not really...but he is awkward in every sense of the word."

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Students enjoy Outfly with unusual activities



Photo courtesy of Gloria Campbell

EXPERIENCING A DIFFERENT SIDE OF IOWA—Sophomore Man-Ling Fan, freshman Jankie Maphosa, freshman Channel Sencherey, sophomore Sandy Chen and senior Phoebe Cheng visited an Amish town near Hazelton on Outfly.

By ERICA SWANSON & TARA LEWIN
Features Editor & Assistant Features Editor

A majority of students spent their Outfly doing homework they had been putting off or trying to catch up on sleep, but there were a select few who decided to do something out of the ordinary.

A group of international students went to visit Amish farms with business professor Gloria Campbell. According to senior Phoebe Cheng, the trip was organized to expose international students to another aspect of American culture.

"The people there were traditional and very interesting," Cheng said. She has not

seen anything like the Amish in her home country, China.

The students visited the village, farm and traditional store in an Amish town near Hazelton. Cheng noted that they were not allowed to take pictures inside the store because it conflicted with the Amish tradition. They watched as flour was ground for homemade bread, and they also explored the countryside.

Other students decided to do something daring on Outfly. Sophomore Rachel Brawner and senior Julia Brown decided that Outfly was the perfect day to get their belly buttons pierced.

"We had each tried getting them pierced before separately but had chickened out," Brown said. "This way, we were strong for each other."

Brown also mentioned that she had seen nine people there that she knew from Wartburg.

Sophomore Ellen Engh thought it was the perfect time to get her ears pierced. "I had heard other people talking about getting tattoos and other piercings, and I have wanted to get my ears pierced for a while now," Engh said, "so I figured why not?"

Engh's roommates went with her to be her support crew, and she said she'd always remember this Outfly because of getting her ears pierced.

Sophomore Kevin Schreder went to get a tattoo, but the place was all booked up, so he will have to save it for another day.

Other students celebrated Outfly with traditions that began during their freshman year. Senior Aimee Biggs has done something different every Outfly, and this year was no exception. Freshman year she got a tattoo, sophomore year she pierced her nose, junior year she got another tattoo and this year she cut off 17 inches of her hair.

Weeks before Outfly, Biggs decided to cut her hair and donate it to Locks of Love.

"I was scared I was going to chicken out," said Biggs, but she went through with it.

Her roommates went with her and got tattoos and their belly buttons pierced. However, for Biggs, Outfly wasn't a completely carefree day. Like many unfortunate students, she had a night class that wasn't cancelled. She studied for the rest of the afternoon and went to her night class to take an exam.

Whether visiting an Amish village or getting tattoos and piercings, Wartburg students know how to make the most of the spontaneous holiday.

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Thrills for Halloween

Murder at old hotel still haunts Waverly

By KATIE MEYER
Staff Writer

The doors creak. The windows rattle. The arrival of night prompts requests of those who volunteer at the Bremer County Historical Society Museum to not be left alone. It's the story of a murder that occurred there 122 years ago that raises the issue of a "haunting."

It was June 5, 1883, when J.T. Stevens, a repairman for the Western Union Telegraph Company in Dubuque, and his partner were on their way to Waverly for a repair job. The two men took a train from Dubuque to Waterloo and then on to Waverly. It was during that train ride that they met Emma Cronin.

Cronin, a widow, was riding the train from Dubuque, where she was visiting her two children who lived in an orphanage nearby, back to her home in Fort Dodge. Two men tried to convince Cronin to stop at the nice town of Waverly before continuing on in her journey home to Fort Dodge. After a couple of initial refusals, Cronin finally agreed to make the stop at the request of the two men.

Cronin and the two men arrived at the Waverly House Hotel, now known as the Bremer County Historical Society Museum. It was here where Stevens registered Cronin and himself as H.J. Johnson and wife, a fact unknown to Cronin at the time.

The two women and Cronin were then shown their rooms, one across from the other, on the third floor of the hotel. Later that night Stevens walked across the hall and knocked on Cronin's hotel room door. Cronin, however, refused to let Stevens in. After some

coaxing on Stevens' part, and a promise that his would be short, finally agreed to open her door.

Stevens allegedly made insulting propositions to Cronin and a struggle began that led to Cronin pulling a gun out of her purse and shooting Stevens. The innkeeper of the hotel at that time contacted a doctor and the deputy sheriff; however, Stevens died a couple hours later.

Cronin was taken to jail, tried and found not guilty and was able to return home.

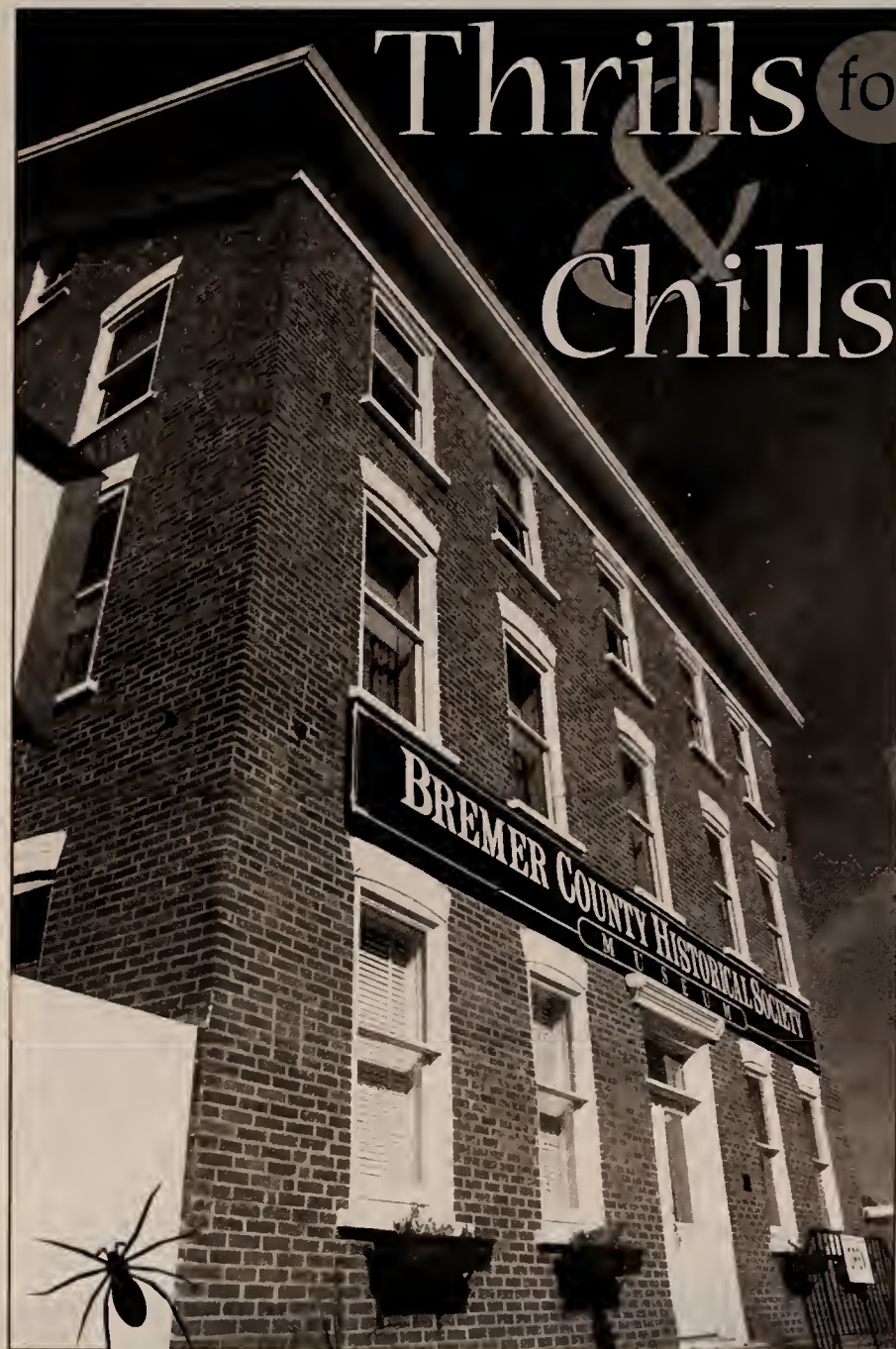
It is said that Stevens came back to haunt the Waverly House Hotel and the doors creak, the windows rattle and sounds of pages of a book turning serve as a reminder from Stevens that he is still there.

Dorothy Smith, museum volunteer, doesn't believe in the stories about the haunting. She said when people dwell on the story it's hard not to associate a peculiar or unusual sound with the "haunting."

Smith said many volunteers prefer not to work at the museum alone due to the events that have occurred in the past.

The Bremer County Historical Society Museum definitely has a story all its own. Whether the building is haunted by the ghost of J.T. Stevens, well... you're left to be the judge.

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LOCAL HAUNTING — A murder at the Bremer County Historical Society Museum 122 years ago leads workers to believe the victim's spirit still lurks within its walls. The museum is located on Bremer Ave.

Age-appropriate Halloween fun

From costumes to pumpkins, students can still have fun on the Day of the Dead

By ABBY ROD
Staff Writer

"Double, double, toil and trouble; fire burn and cauldron bubble." Yep. It's that time again; that wonderful time of year when jack 'o' lanterns decorate front porches and children look forward to the age old tradition of trick-or-treating.

Although it's appealing to trek through neighborhoods scavenging candy, college student should find something more age-appropriate to do in celebration of such a wonderful holiday.

First, dressing up for Halloween usually makes for a fun time, whether studying for an exam, working or just hanging out. Popular costumes this season include pirates, police officers, firefighters, the Incredibles, and the ever popular fairy, witch, Star Wars and Elvis costumes.

Buying a costume is easy, but to make it a little more challenging, roommates could make a contest to see who can come up with the best costume using only what can be found in a dorm room. It's cheap, easy and could end up being pretty entertaining.

For those not interested in the fun of parading around in silly ensembles, there are plenty of other things to do to celebrate the night of the dead.

1. Get a group of friends together- friends that can be trusted with sharp objects- and have a pumpkin carving contest. Chances are most people have not carved a pumpkin in years; brought back memories and make some new ones this year.

2. Visit a local haunted house. They tend to be pretty cheap and even if they aren't truly scary, the fun had in going to one will be worth it.

3. Halloween is a great time to have a "scary-movie fest." Watching old and new scary movies is sure to give anyone a fright on Halloween.

4. Bob for apples.

5. In costumes, go out with a group of friends. There are always Halloween parties going on.

6. Throw a Halloween party. Whether in a dorm or house, getting a bunch of college students in costumes together is sure to bring a little fun.

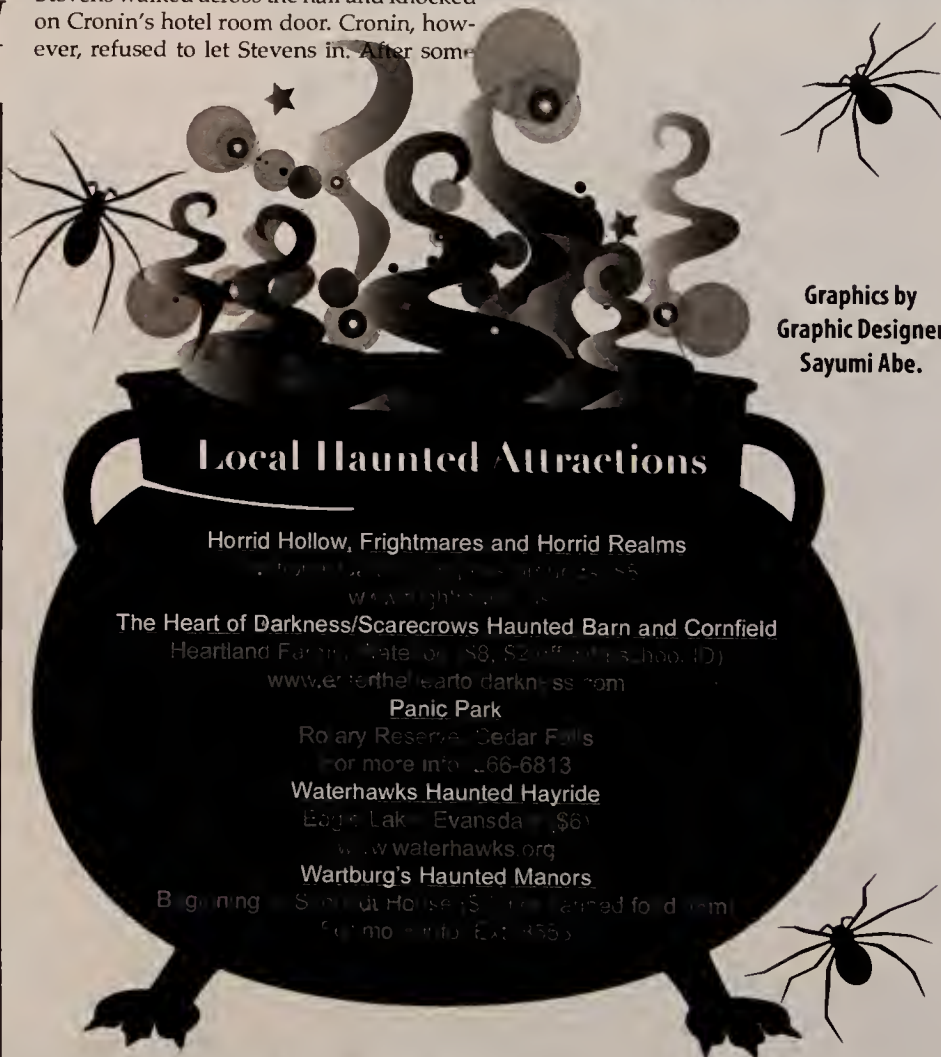
7. Drive past haunted houses (the real ones); just don't stop! There are always local houses with a little haunted history behind them.

8. Surf the Internet and find some spooky tales, then let friends figure out if the tales are true or not.

9. Make little "trick-or-treat" bags for friends. Include all the greatest Halloween candy that non-trick-or-treaters are deprived of during this night of witches and goblins.

10. BE CAREFUL! Not only do unwary college students forget that ghosts and ghouls dance through the streets on All Hallows Eve, but real evil also lurks, even where it is least expected.

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Top Ten Scary Flicks for Halloween

1. **The Exorcist (1973)**- The first one is worth the scares. The scariest part about any of the other Exorcist films are the ratings.

2. **Psycho (1960)**- Hitchcock films are most frightful; even if in black and white.

3. **The Shining (1980)**- Jack Nicholson at his greatest and craziest.

4. **Carrie (1976)**- Did anyone know that John Travolta is in this "teen-angst-death-to-the-mean-popular-people" flick?

5. **The Ring (1998)**- Try the Japanese original. Spooky.

6. **Silence of the Lambs (1991)**- "A census taker once tried to test me. I ate his liver with some fava beans and a nice Chianti..." Enough said.

7. **The Rocky Horror Picture Show**- A raunchy musical that is a must with any Halloween movie marathon.

8. **A Nightmare on Elm Street (1984)**- Watching this movie will make one lose sleep for at least a week.

9. **Halloween**- This holiday movie, and the series spawned after it, are a must see.

10. **Seven (1995)**- A sure-to-be horror classic!

Did you live *the* Knight life?

By MATT POPOWSKI
Assistant Entertainment Editor

Homecoming 2005 enjoyed great support from Wartburg students and alumni alike, complemented with warm and sunny weather.

Kastle Kapers jump-started the festivities with shows Thursday and Friday night in Neumann Auditorium, with senior emcees Anne Fattig and Scott Kempel providing humor with improvisation between acts. The show included singing and dancing acts but fewer skits than in the past.

Knightlighters Jazz Band, Castle Singers, Wartburg Dance Team, Ritterchor and others had respective performances.

Coronation followed both shows, with Todd Stanhope and Jess Wilke crowned Homecoming king and queen of the court.

Knight's Gymnasium held students for the Pep Rally Thursday night, where Justin Harkin and Katie Bower served as co-masters of ceremonies, modeling their skits after the SNL Spartan cheerleaders Craig and Arianna.

The dance team performed, followed by a pie-eating contest by team captains of fall sports. Wartburg cheerleaders then performed to "Let Me Ride That Donkey" and "Hollaback Girl."

The pep rally concluded to the Wartburg fight song and loyalty song as the Homecoming king and queen paraded the stands.

Saturday offered a beautiful day for the Homecoming festivities. The parade included two marching bands, the Shriners, the Wartburg cheerleading squad, Wartburg Dance Team, student organizations, WTV, Campus Ministry and the International students with flags representing their home countries, among others.

The Renaissance Faire, held on the campus mall, was lively with numerous student organization stands and a comedy pirate act.

Wartburg alumni and students gathered at the annual Oktoberfest for brauts and beer while others grilled out after a celebrated football victory, taking advantage of the beautiful weather.

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Mally Richards, Roland Ferrie, Allisan Schmidt, Sarah Janes/TRUMPET LIVIN' THE KNIGHT LIFE— Senior Jeff Callahan, top, shows his school spirit at the football game. Members of the Knightlighters jazz band, middle, perform during Kastle Kapers. Sophomore Sara Bickford, right, participates in the pie eating contest. Future Wartburg Knights, below, ride in the parade. Students, staff and alumni were entertained with a pirate act, lower left. Todd Stanhope and Jess Wilke, top left, are crowned Homecoming king and queen.



OUTFLY 2005

Taking it back Old School



The **BEE ORANGE** couple, senior Carrie Reason and junior Liz Andrews, winners of Best Dressed contest.



Junior Chelsea Spangler



Junior Justin Harken disembarks from the school bus bringing students to Outfly.



Senior Michael Greenwald as Darth Orange



Senior Matt Lamos and President Jack R. Ohle

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Cup of Joe

Coffee shops plant roots in Waverly area

By KATIE MEYER
Staff Writer

The interest in tasty treats and hot coffee with many flavors is creeping in to the Waverly area. Stimulating conversation, good company, relaxation and satisfying cravings are what many customers look for upon arrival to their favorite coffee shop, and with a handful of them in the area, it will be easy to become a 'regular.'

The Depot Antiques and Treats stems from a rich history, invokes an old-fashioned sense of hospitality, offers coffee, hard-packed ice cream, antiques and yummys-from-scratch.

Sisters Barb Corson and Ellen Schutte are the owners of The Depot, located in a building that originally belonged to their father, Milt Westendorf. Its history, coming from the days of steam engines, the Westendorf gas station and Mr. Westendorf himself, is being carried into the future by his two daughters with their new business.

"If you're missing grandma's cookies, come on in and get a glass of milk and a cookie," Schutte said. "We want you to feel like you're walking into someone's home," she said, "a home that is welcoming to all ages."

The Daily Grind is also a local coffee shop that most coffee fanatics find time to check out.

In addition to the wide selection of choices and the homemade chai, the Daily Grind has a unique, cozy and comfortable atmosphere — one surely conducive to studying or reading.

The Daily Grind's couch is a hot spot for Wartburg professors to conjure ideas when they are visiting.

The Daily Grind is also hoping to feature different musicians on Friday nights in the future. Lewis said they would look for acts that are "coffee shop types."

The White Swan Tea Room and Gift Shop in Nashua is owned by Shirley White and resides in an 1868 Victorian house.

White's establishment is quite different from any other around the area. The food served at the White Swan is all made from scratch. White tries to make the food selections as healthy as possible by not serving red meat or anything fried.

"I've always liked to feed people," White said, "and I love for people to come to my home here and leave happy and smiling."

Debra Salih, owner of the MarketPlace and Freudian Sip Koffee Kiosk, said the "Cheers" theme song comes to mind when she thinks of her establishment.

"It is very eclectic, diverse and international," Salih said. "The international students love it when they discover it. It reminds them of home, they say."

Salih says one thing she enjoys is "actively listening to people." When people come, they need more than a drink to quench their thirst. She said they have "emotional and



Travis Backenstedt/TRUMPET

COFFEE AND TREATS— The modern dining area and homestyle service gives The Daily Grind an edge over the competitors. Wartburg staff frequents the Grind and ponder ideas on the comfy couch. Below, an employee of the coffee shop prepares a gourmet beverage for a customer.

spiritual thirsts that need quenching."

The Freudian Sip Koffee Kiosk also has the largest selection of beans and teas in the region and "has the latest everything," Salih said.

Last, but certainly not least, Wartburg's very own Konditorei satisfies the needs of many students and staff.

"We're fortunate to be in a good area where people need coffee quite often," Carmen Smith, Konditorei supervisor said, alluding to the need of caffeine when it comes to students and their studying, projects, papers and the like.

"Our smoothies are very popular," said Smith. One of the nice things about the Konditorei is that it offers coffee, pastries and light lunches in the same easily accessible location for all those on Wartburg's campus.

These five different establishments have been serving the Waverly area for a while, each offering something different from the next.

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Two diverse musical talents come to Lyceum stage

By JENNA ANDERSON
Staff Writer

Two musical events held in the Lyceum entertained and inspired audience members last week. On Tuesday, Raining Jane, an all-girl quartet rocked the audience with their original eclectic sound, while the 'dark and haunting' music of Sacha Sacket poured from the Lyceum on

Wednesday, Oct. 12.

Raining Jane's sound is as versatile as the four girls themselves. Their music is rooted mostly in rock and folk, but each song is "further shaped by funk, hip-hop and world music influences," according to the Raining Jane website.

"It's not soft rock, and it's not hard rock," junior Jon Runaas said.

The stage presence the band has as a group is noteworthy as well. Not only does the group conversationally interact with the audience but demonstrates chemistry within the band both during and in-between songs, creating a fun, interesting show to watch.

Visit www.rainingjane.com to learn more about the band and hear samples of their music.

Sacket's performance was quite different from that of Raining Jane.

"Hey, guys," Sacket nonchalantly said with a smile after a brief introduction. And with that, he set the mood of the whole show.

The stage was set up with four different-sized keyboards and a laptop computer. Dressed as casually as his demeanor, Sacket sat down on his stool and began. Before each piece, he gave a short description of the origin of the song. Hearing how he wrote the song helped to understand the songs significance to him as an artist.

Sacket wowed the audience with his ability to start playing one melody on one keyboard and simultaneously turn and play a different melody on a keyboard behind him, without watching the first melody at all.

"It's like classical meets techno," sophomore Kelsey Neiman said.

His impressive technique and style has a classic undertone to it. His lyrics often talk of romance and love, and throughout his performance he spoke of all his 'crushes'.

Sacket showed his more lighthearted side as he played a very dramatic "Hit Me Baby One More Time" by Britney Spears and encouraged the audience to sing along.

"He has amazing talent," Neiman said. "I was really impressed with his music."

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SCORING MACHINE—Junior Harrison Kibombo-Lugujjo has become an offensive spark over the last three years. Kibombo-Lugujjo has scored 44 goals and 95 points in two-plus seasons at Wartburg.

Soccer star excels on field and in classroom

By ABBY SHOWALTER
Sports Writer

A little fame and success hasn't changed the outlook of a Wartburg soccer star at all; in fact he's more focused than ever.

Harrison Kibombo-Lugujjo, a junior forward on the Wartburg men's soccer team, has been in the spotlight since he started an impressive scoring run this season. In 15 games, Kibombo-Lugujjo has scored 20 goals.

Leading the conference in total goals scored and ranked fifth nationally in average goals per game in Division III, Kibombo-Lugujjo's success on the field has earned him national recognition. He was recognized in the October 13 issue of Sports Illustrated.

"I'm trying to stay calm and enjoy the moment," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "I'm very honored."

Harrison hasn't always been in the spotlight, however. He has humble beginnings going back to his childhood.

Born in Kampala, Uganda, Kibombo-Lugujjo never even played competitive soccer until he arrived in the United States three years ago.

"I didn't come to Wartburg expecting to play soccer," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "My main focus was for academics."

That is an understatement

considering Kibombo-Lugujjo is a chemistry major and an engineering science and mathematics minor. Harrison has lofty goals of attending graduate school after Wartburg and eventually would like to work in a field with oil technology.

"I am very school-oriented right now," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "Someday, I want to be a good dad and have a family."

Kibombo-Lugujjo spent the first 16 years attending school in Kampala. He then decided to attend an international school in Norway. Wanting to continue his experience abroad, Harrison looked at Midwest colleges in the United States he could attend.

He soon met the international recruitment counselor at Wartburg and Harrison applied. Wartburg gave him an offer, and he has been a member of the Waverly and Wartburg communities for the past three years.

"I wasn't exactly looking at Iowa, but it [Wartburg] was a small, private D-III college and it was my best offer," Kibombo-Lugujjo said.

While Kibombo-Lugujjo has played soccer his whole life, Wartburg is the first place where he has played a higher level, organized, competitive style of game.

"Soccer in Uganda was never serious, we had no coach or training time," Kibombo-Lugujjo said.

"We just fooled around and had fun playing games."

Even when Kibombo-Lugujjo lived in Norway and played for a D-III club team, his personal enjoyment was his main goal.

"All I did was have fun," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "It wasn't a plan to continue with soccer in the future."

But here he is, dressed in orange cleats and an orange and black uniform leading the Wartburg men's team to victory. After a breakout year in 2004, Kibombo-Lugujjo was awarded the Conference Player of the Year Award. Coming into this season, Harrison has felt the pressure of living up to his scoring success.

"I actually always forget about that award, because last year is in the past and we are focusing on the present, but I feel that I have an added role this year," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "It's not a defined role, like a captain, but more of an expected role from my team."

While Kibombo-Lugujjo isn't sure he always likes the added pressure of scoring goals, he has embraced his success and knows he is a leader for the team.

"I know one of my expectations is to lead by example through my actions on and off the field," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "Being somewhat in the spotlight, I am more responsible for how I

carry myself and how I represent myself, the team and Wartburg."

For Harrison, finding motivation to continue playing soccer has been a continual searching process.

"I'm not really a competitive person," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "I'm someone who loves the feeling of winning and I know that you can't be your best all the time."

However, Harrison has found strength in his family's support at home. Kibombo-Lugujjo left his parents, two brothers, and two sisters back in Uganda when he began traveling as a teenager.

"I like to travel and it's something I wanted to do; I'll go wherever life takes me, but I think I'll eventually find rest back at home," Kibombo-Lugujjo said.

No matter what his future holds, Kibombo-Lugujjo will always be appreciative of what soccer has meant to him in his life, especially from his time at Wartburg.

"Soccer put me on a whole new level of my life; I've grown as

a person and learned valuable life lessons by playing," Kibombo-Lugujjo said.

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BALL HOG—Kibombo-Lugujjo is on the ball.

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Soccer streaks to 13th straight win

By ABBY SHOWALTER
Sports Writer

The excitement of Homecoming and senior day propelled the Wartburg men's soccer team to a 7-0 victory at home Saturday.

The Knights enjoyed a 30-3 shot advantage over Cornell College and tallied four first-half goals to set the tone of the game. Senior Micah McMorris led Wartburg with three assists, as the scoring was spread out between six different players.

"It was a good team effort," McMorris said. "The team kept composure."

Junior forward Harrison Kobombo-Lugujjo got things rolling by scoring the first two goals of the match. Sophomore Joe Hoeksema connected on an assist from freshman Alexi Schlesinger for goal three, and junior Nick Amato ended the half with a big header goal for the Knights.

Two of McMorris' assists came in the second half off of goals from sophomore Luke McClyman and Schlesinger. Freshman Elvis Alicic ended the match with another goal.

"Things are finally coming together," McMorris said. "I hope to accomplish more

on the scoring side next week."

Head coach Jim Conlon was pleased with the result, especially on senior day.

"It was nice to win big," Conlon said. "Four of our seniors have set the level of character for this program and they really show what it takes to succeed."

This victory improves the Knights' Iowa Conference record to 5-0 and makes Wartburg first in the conference as the only undefeated team. The Knights will attempt to continue their undefeated streak as they take on the last three conference opponents in the next two weeks. Wartburg is keeping its hopes high to host the conference tournament at the end of the season.

"We want the tournament to be held here," Conlon said. "I have no doubt our men can get it done."

The location of the conference tournament usually rotates between the nine conference schools, but this year the IAC decided the tournament would be held at the school that won the men's conference at the end of the regular season.

"We have been rolling along in conference and it would be nice to finish with the tournament at home," senior captain Kirk Artist said.



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DOWN THE MIDDLE—Senior defenseman Brent Schuchmann dribbles around defenders from Simpson College Tuesday. The Knights only allowed three shots on goal en route to a 2-1 victory.

The men's team also played against Simpson Tuesday at home. The Knights slipped by with a 2-1 overtime win. The game was an intense battle, and both teams went into halftime scoreless.

The Storm struck first, sliding a goal past Wartburg freshman goalkeeper Matt Shepard. Wartburg responded with an unassisted goal from McMorris. Regulation ended in a 1-1 tie. Senior Scott Hill took charge in the first overtime and beat two Simpson defenders to score the winning goal.

The Knights look forward to finishing out the conference season in the next two weeks.

"I feel confident in our team and our goals," Artist said.

Wartburg takes on conference rival Luther at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Waverly Soccer Complex. The team follows with a 3 p.m. road game Saturday at Loras.

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Netters win close match, keep conference lead



Ashley Richards/SPORTS INFORMATION

CAN YOU DIG IT?—Sophomore Leigh Christensen gets one of her 14 digs against Coe Tuesday. The Knights won the match, improving their Iowa Conference record to 6-0.

By AARON HAGEN
Assistant Sports Editor

It may have taken extra points in three of the five games, but the Wartburg volleyball team came away with a five-game win over Coe College Tuesday night, staying undefeated in the Iowa Conference.

Wartburg needed six extra points to win the first game 36-34. The second game was hard fought, as Coe took the win 40-38.

"I was disappointed that

we didn't win game two," head coach Jennifer Walker said. "But going into the locker room, it wasn't like I was frustrated. We battled hard, and I thought we were still in a good place."

Coming out of the locker room after game two, Coe came away with a 30-22 win, which was the biggest margin of the night. Wartburg, trying to protect its home court, won the fourth game 30-28.

The fifth game was an emotional one for the Knights, and they once

again needed extra points to win 18-16.

"It was an exciting match," Walker said. "I have never been a part of a match like that. I think Coe came ready to play. I don't think our play was bad; we just allowed too many runs."

Sophomore Ashley Rogers had a season high 30 kills on the night to add to her 24 digs, two solo blocks and five block assists. Junior Sheena Treanor had 17 kills, while freshman Kelsey Steffens

was the only other Knight in double figures in kills with 15. Freshman Lindsay Murphy had 65 sets, while sophomore Ashley Steines had 30 digs to lead the way for Wartburg.

Wartburg is now 15-11 overall, but more importantly 6-0 in the conference with two conference matches left. Wartburg faces Loras on the road Tuesday night, and then returns home to face UW-Platteville at 7 p.m. Friday.

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FIGHT FOR THE BALL—Senior Jessica Pfeiffer fights for the ball against Simpson last week. Pfeiffer converted on one of her two shots as she scored the first goal of the game against the Storm. Pfeiffer has four goals this season.

Title Run

Stingy defense leads to wins

By SARAH ROBERTS
Sports Writer

It's not possible to win if you don't score, and the Wartburg women's soccer team shut out both opponents last week, defeating Cornell 5-0 and Simpson 4-0. The two wins give the Knights five straight wins and their fifth and sixth shut out of the season. During their five-game winning streak, Wartburg has allowed just one goal.

Saturday of Homecoming, the Knights had a noon game against Cornell. The Cornell women's soccer team set four goals this season, one of which was to beat Wartburg on their homecoming and senior recognition day. Cornell came out strong, and the game was scoreless until the 33rd minute of play when freshman Rachel Oswald finished a ball from fellow freshman Jamie Fredrick.

"They strung together a lot of team chemistry and worked very very efficiently," head coach Jim Conlon said.

Sophomore Andi Hudgens added two goals, while sophomores Katelin Gannon and Krystal Schoen each added one to take the 5-0 win.

"We had a slow start but capitalized when we needed to," senior Jessica Pfeiffer said.

Pfeiffer, Ashley Kueker, Jessica Iserman and Michelle Bethel were the four seniors recognized for the women's team at the end of the game.

"All four are strong leaders on and off the soccer field," assistant coach Tiffany Treanor said. "They were a big part in building the soccer program. We're going to miss them, and I wish them all the best."

Tuesday, the Knights took on the Simpson Storm. Wartburg knew it was a game for which they were going to have to prepare for, as

Simpson was undefeated coming into the game. The Knights came ready to play, taking the 4-0 win over the Storm. Pfeiffer started things off for the Knights in the 11th minute, scoring off of a pass from Fredrick.

"We played well and put a lot of things together," Conlon said. "We executed the offense."

Kueker, Hudgens and Gannon each added a goal.

The Knights will be playing conference rival Luther College at 5 p.m. Wednesday at the Waverly Soccer Complex. The Knights tied Luther in the 2004 season and are out for the win this year. Luther is 3-2 in the conference and 7-6-2 overall this season. Saturday, the Knights will travel to Dubuque to face Loras. Loras, which is tied with Wartburg for the conference lead, is 4-0 in the conference and 11-3 overall. Game time is set for 1 p.m.

"We expect to play well and execute," Conlon said. "That should lead us to a win."

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IIAC Standings

	Overall	IIAC
Wartburg	11-4	5-0
Loras	11-3	4-0
Simpson	10-2	5-1
Dubuque	9-5-1	3-2
Luther	7-6-2	3-2
Cornell	7-7	1-3
Coe	6-8-1	1-5
Buena Vista	5-10	1-5
Central	7-8	0-5

Cross teams finish eighth at La Crosse

By BEN CARLSON
Sports Writer

Wartburg cross country battled NCAA Division I, II and III competition and returned with a pair of eighth place finishes Saturday at the Jim Drews/Tori Neubauer Invationals in La Crosse, Wis.

Leading the way for the men's team was senior Keith Solverson in 16th place with a time of 24:56. Finishing second for Wartburg was freshman Tim McKenna (60th, 25:47). Rounding out the scoring positions for the men were juniors Patrick Johnson (65th, 25:53), junior Kevin Balster (73rd, 25:58) and senior Scott Cross (76th, 26:00).

The men's team finished with a total of 242 points. Winning the meet with 42 points was the University of Wisconsin-Madison followed by Minnesota (52) and UW-La Crosse (115).

First across the line for the women's team was junior Jill Wagaman in 28th with a time of 22:49. Not far behind Wagaman was freshman Nicole Calabrese (34th, 23:02). Filling out the scoring positions for the women were freshman Annie Ripslinger (46th, 23:14) and sophomores Sara Epply (52th, 23:22) and Julie Ridenour (55th, 23:24).

The Wartburg women finished with a score of 215 points. The first Division III team and overall winner of the meet was UW-La Crosse with 72 points.

The men's and women's cross country teams will have next weekend off before the Iowa Conference meet at 11 a.m., Saturday Oct. 29, in Cedar Rapids.

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SIMON SAYS—Sophomore Kyle Duchman plays the part of referee after senior Jason Ingle recovered a fumble in the end zone against the Kohawks.

KO'd: Weber clinches game with late pick, Knights tied for Iowa Conference lead

By RICHARD PODHAJSKY
Sports Editor

The Wartburg Knights just needed someone, anyone to step up against Coe Saturday. That person turned out to be sophomore defensive back Nick Weber.

"Nick's an outstanding player and that's what you expect," head coach Rick Willis said about Weber's game-clinching interception in the Knights' end zone. "Big-time players make big plays in big games. That's what Nick did."

Weber had two interceptions in the Knights' end zone and Wartburg held on for a thrilling 17-14 Homecoming win.

The biggest story of the game was Weber and the Knights defense, who played bend-but-don't-break football to limit Coe to 125 yards rushing.

"We started philosophically with our game plan trying to stop the run, and we were pretty much able to do that," Willis said. "Their longest run of the game was the quarterback scramble."

"The first key was to somehow find a way to stop the rush and we did that pretty good," senior defensive lineman Noah Junge said.

The Knights held a 17-7 lead with 2:53 left in the game when the Kohawks went 61 yards on 12 plays to cut Wartburg's lead to three with 59 seconds left.

Coe recovered the ensuing onside kick and three plays later had a first-and-fifteen at the Wartburg 32-yardline when Weber out-jumped Coe's Neil Suckow in the end zone to seal the game with 33 seconds left.

"They had run the same play a couple of times in a row," Weber said. "Our defensive line got good pressure. They got in the quarterback's face and he just threw it up. All I had to do was step in there and catch it."

"We made it about as difficult as it could possibly be," Willis said. "But I don't think we did a lot wrong on the onside kick. They happened to execute a good kick and make a good play."

Once again, it was a tale of two halves for the Wartburg offense. The Knights gained only 46 first-half yards and trailed 7-0 at halftime.

But on the second drive of the second half, the Knights went on a 12-play, 54-yard drive to set up a 21-yard field goal from freshman Spencer Herzberg. The drive got Wartburg on the board and gave them momentum. Junior Dan Hammes had a key, momentum-changing play on the drive, running 27 yards on fourth-and-one from the Coe 38-yardline.

"That was a big play," Willis said. "We were sort of in-between on what to do. We had just punted in that same situation a series or two earlier. We were at the point where we felt like we needed to make something happen."

Following a Coe punt of only 12 yards, the Knights went to the ground game to give them the lead, with sophomore Josh Van Rees rushing eight straight times before Hammes got the call.

Hammes took the hand-off at the Coe 10-yardline and took it to the one when he fumbled into the end zone. A scramble for the ball ensued and senior lineman Jason Ingle jumped on it for the touchdown to make the score 10-7.

It appeared the Knights were going to grind out another drive but Van Rees fumbled, giving Coe the ball on Wartburg's 45-yardline.

But two plays later, freshman Ryan Gerardy picked off Coe's Andy TeKippe and returned it to the Coe 30-yardline. The following play, senior Reed Hoskins hit junior Brandon Vinzant for the touchdown, giving Wartburg the 17-7 lead.

Coe got on the board in the first half following a Hoskins fumble. The Kohawks went 34 yards on nine plays to take the 7-0 lead.

Coe looked ready to at least get a field goal just before halftime but freshman Kyle Goodchild sacked TeKippe at the 33-yardline to end the half.

"Obviously, that was a big stop



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GAME OVER—Sophomore Nick Weber comes down with an interception in his own end zone with 33 seconds to play.

because even a field goal there puts them ahead by more than a touchdown," Willis said. "We did a great job of finding a way to get off the field. To get a stop before the half and not allow any points, the sack came at a great time for us."

The Knights travel to Loras for a 1 p.m. start Saturday. Willis is glad his team now controls its own destiny but knows winning the conference championship won't be easy.

"There's two things: It's pretty easy to understand the situation where we just need to win each game and we control our own destiny, but it's totally another thing to be able to actually do that," Willis said. "It's easier said than done."

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Rich Rites

NBA STARS THINK
DRESS CODE TOO STERN

Imagine this: You are searching for a job when 30 bosses come up to you ready to hand you a job. They are willing to pay you a minimum of \$400,000 (although your contract is more likely to be in the millions). This job will get you fame and admiration from thousands, if not millions, around the world.

These bosses just have one request: You have to dress in business casual attire for all company events. Is this oppression a deal-breaker?

According to many of today's NBA stars, it is.

NBA commissioner David Stern recently announced he wanted all players to "look professional," meaning dressing in business casual attire for team flights, going to and from games and at public appearances and team functions throughout the year.

This, according to stars such as Allen Iverson and Tony Delk, is going too far. Apparently, these players figure if they are going to be classified as thugs, they might as well fit the part.

While there are many things Mr. Stern has done wrong, I think he finally got one right. He realizes, even if it is only because of financial reasons, his league has an image problem. He also realizes that professional-looking people are more likely to act like professionals.

George Steinbrenner, the infamous owner of the New York Yankees, has required his players to look like professionals for years, not only in dress but also mandating professional haircuts and facial hair styles. Although his Yankees haven't won the World Series since 2000, his teams have won six times during his tenure, giving his rules merit.

This debate over dress codes makes me think back to the times when not only were players expected to look professional but the fans were as well. Just think, instead of drunken fans with their beer bellies painted all sorts of colors yelling at 20-year-old delinquents, NBA games could become gentlemanly scenes where parents wouldn't have to be afraid of players rioting in the stands.

Unfortunately, the days of professional athletes acting professional are long gone by. Professional athletes, especially in the NBA, are more concerned about connecting with their boys in the hood than becoming a model of what those boys should want to become.

This is not to say that everyone who dresses in three-piece suits and drinks fine wines is a model citizen. This is far from the truth. Everyone has faults and should be allowed room to creatively express themselves sometimes.

But I don't think it's too much of the boss to ask his employees to dress professionally when on the job. When NBA players are making a minimum of \$400,000, I think they can swing a few pairs of slacks and a sport coat.

While the new dress code may not change the attitude of any of the current players, it may establish a new attitude for the sport in general. Just maybe, after A.I. has retired to a life of rapping and hanging out on street corners in baggy jeans and a skull cap, a new generation of players will usher in an era of respectability into the NBA.

Maybe by then everyone will realize that in order to be a professional, one has to dress the part.



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